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# ENGROSSED

## HOUSE BILL No. 1671

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DIGEST OF HB 1671 (Updated March 4, 2009 3:47 pm - DI 71)

**Citations Affected:** IC 21-13; noncode.

**Synopsis:** Nursing scholarships. Provides that the nursing scholarship program applies to registered nursing students. Requires a recipient of a nursing scholarship to agree in writing to work as a practicing nurse providing direct patient care for: (1) an acute care or speciality hospital; (2) a long term care facility; (3) a rehabilitation care facility; (4) a home health care entity; (5) a hospice program; (6) a mental health facility; or (7) a facility located in a shortage area. Allows for continued nursing scholarship program eligibility of certain licensed practical nursing students and nursing students who have not agreed to work in specified facilities or programs until June 30, 2011.

**Effective:** Upon passage; July 1, 2009.

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**Michael, Welch, Behning, Barnes**

(SENATE SPONSORS — HEAD, LEISING, SIMPSON, MRVAN)

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January 16, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

February 17, 2009, reported — Do Pass.

February 19, 2009, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.

February 20, 2009, engrossed. Read third time, passed. Yeas 91, nays 0.

SENATE ACTION

February 23, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.

March 5, 2009, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2008 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

## ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL No. 1671

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 21-13-3-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION  
2 254, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2009]: Sec. 5. To initially qualify for a scholarship from the fund, a  
4 nursing student must:

5 (1) be admitted to an approved postsecondary educational  
6 institution as a full-time or part-time nursing student **in a**  
7 **program that will meet the requirements to allow the student**  
8 **to obtain licensing as a registered nurse under IC 25-23-1;**

9 (2) agree, in writing, to work as a **registered nurse providing**  
10 **direct patient care** in: ~~any type of health care setting~~

11 (A) **an acute care or specialty hospital;**

12 (B) **a long term care facility;**

13 (C) **a rehabilitation care facility;**

14 (D) **a home health care entity;**

15 (E) **a hospice program;**

16 (F) **a mental health facility; or**

17 (G) **a facility located in a shortage area (as defined in**

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1           **IC 16-46-5-6);**  
 2           in Indiana for at least two (2) years following graduation;  
 3           (3) meet any other minimum criteria established by the  
 4           commission; and  
 5           (4) demonstrate a financial need for the scholarship.  
 6           **SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a)**  
 7           **Notwithstanding IC 21-13-3-5, as amended by this act, a nursing**  
 8           **student who, before July 1, 2009:**  
 9           **(1) is qualified for a scholarship under IC 21-13-3-5, before its**  
 10           **amendment by this act; and**  
 11           **(2) either:**  
 12           **(A) is enrolled in a program that will meet the**  
 13           **requirements to allow the student to obtain licensing as a**  
 14           **licensed practical nurse under IC 25-23-1; or**  
 15           **(B) has not agreed to work in a facility described in**  
 16           **IC 21-13-3-5(2), as amended by this act;**  
 17           **is eligible to renew the scholarship according to the requirements**  
 18           **of IC 21-13-3-5, before its amendment by this act, and**  
 19           **IC 21-13-3-6.**  
 20           **(b) This SECTION expires June 30, 2011.**  
 21           **SECTION 3. An emergency is declared for this act.**

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1671, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

PORTER, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 10, nays 0.

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HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1671 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, after line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

**"SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) Notwithstanding IC 21-13-3-5, as amended by this act, a nursing student who, before July 1, 2009:**

**(1) is qualified for a scholarship under IC 21-13-3-5, before its amendment by this act; and**

**(2) is enrolled in a program that will meet the requirements to allow the student to obtain licensing as a licensed practical nurse under IC 25-23-1;**

**is eligible to renew the scholarship according to the requirements of IC 21-13-3-5, before its amendment by this act, and IC 21-13-3-6.**

**(b) This SECTION expires June 30, 2011.**

**SECTION 3. An emergency is declared for this act."**

(Reference is to HB 1671 as printed February 17, 2009.)

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred House Bill No. 1671, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, line 13, delete "or".

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Page 1, between lines 14 and 15, begin a new line double block indented and insert:

**"(E) a hospice program;  
(F) a mental health facility; or  
(G) a facility located in a shortage area (as defined in IC 16-46-5-6);".**

Page 2, line 7, after "(2)" insert **"either:**

**(A)".**

Page 2, line 9, after "IC 25-23-1;" insert **"or**

**(B) has not agreed to work in a facility described in IC 21-13-3-5(2), as amended by this act;".**

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1671 as reprinted February 20, 2009.)

LUBBERS, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0.

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